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California Redistricting Commission 1130 "K" Street, Suite 101 Sacramento, Ca 95814

Redistricting Coastal Counties

Dear California Redistricting Commission,

I am writing to you as the past President of the Del Norte County Senior Center Board of Directors. I served for 2 years on the Board of Directors serving the Del Norte County Senior population and low-income families with several energy assistance programs.

It was my experience that the coastal counties worked together to ensure services were provided for these constituents. Both federal and state funding were secured to run the Senior Center and it is with great concern that I am sending this statement to you, to keep Del Norte County in the legislative districts within the Highway 101 corridor.

The funding agency for a portion of the nutrition program sends the dietician from Humboldt County to review the program every month. That would be a difficult task; if not impossible, if the agency were located inland.

Del Norte County was redistricted after the 2000 census into the Fourth Senate District; this was a great disservice to the residents of our county. I regret I am not testifying in person at the April 9, 2011 hearing in Redding. I would have had to travel through another State (Oregon) or a different Senate District (SD 2) to be with you in Redding after a challenging journey of 5 hours. The challenge today is the weather conditions that I would have faced crossing Highway 199 (into Oregon) or Highway 299, when I traveled over the mountains that keep our county at a disadvantage to accessing the interior.

Thank you for your time and consideration of my statement. I support Del Norte County staying in CD 1 & AD 1 and redistricted back into SD 2. This would be the best situation for this county.

Sincerely,

Debra Broner